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COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA

STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION

AT RICHMOND, MARCH 13, 2001

APPLICATION OF
AFN TELECOM, LLC

CASE NO. PUC000289

For a certificate of public
convenience and necessity to
provide facilities-based
interexchange telecommunications
services

FINAL ORDER

On October 25, 2000, AFN Telecom, LLC ("AFN" or "Applicant"), filed an application for a certificate of public convenience and necessity ("certificate") with the State Corporation Commission ("Commission") to provide interexchange telecommunications services throughout the Commonwealth of Virginia. The Applicant also requested authority to price its interexchange telecommunications services on a competitive basis pursuant to § 56-481.1 of the Code of Virginia.

By Order dated December 7, 2000, the Commission directed the Applicant to provide notice to the public of its application which invited interested persons to file comments and request a hearing and directed the Commission Staff to conduct an investigation and, if necessary, file a report.

The Applicant filed its proof of publication and notice on January 31, 2001, and no comments or requests for hearing were received. On February 12, 2001, the Staff filed a report

finding that AFN's application was in compliance with the Commission's Rules Governing the Certification of Interexchange Carriers.¹

Based upon its review of AFN's application and the Applicant's responses to Staff data requests, the Staff determined it would be appropriate to grant an interexchange certificate to AFN.

NOW THE COMMISSION, having considered AFN's application and the Staff Report, is of the opinion and finds that AFN should be granted a certificate to provide interexchange telecommunications services. Having considered § 56-481.1 of the Code of Virginia, the Commission further finds that AFN may price its interexchange telecommunications services competitively.

Accordingly, IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:

(1) AFN Telecom, LLC, is hereby granted a certificate of public convenience and necessity, No. TT-139A, to provide interexchange telecommunications services subject to the restrictions set forth in the Commission's Rules Governing the Certification of Interexchange Carriers, § 56-265.4:4 of the Code of Virginia, and the provisions of this Order.

¹ 20 VAC 5-400-60.

(2) AFN shall provide tariffs to the Division of Communications that conform with all applicable Commission rules and regulations.

(3) Pursuant to § 56-481.1 of the Code of Virginia, AFN may price its interexchange telecommunications services competitively.

(4) There being nothing further to come before the Commission, this case shall be dismissed and the papers filed herein placed in the file for ended causes.